dated 8th November, 1994 stating that biological specimens which U.S. scientists had collected from Surat during the recent plauge outbreak are missing;

(b) the circumstances of the loss of these samples; and

(c) whether responsibility has been fixed for this loss?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir, the report has come to the notice of Government.

(b) and (c) The samples collected were not lost. There were processed at Haffkine Institute, Bombay and National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi. Some samples were retained with World Health Organisation, South East Asian Regional Office at New Delhi for future reference and collaborative studies.

Sanctioning of additional primary health centres and sub-centres in Maharashtra

64 SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra has requested the Central Government to sanction additional Primary Health Centres and Sub-centres on the basis of increase in population with reference to 1991 census figures;

(b) if so, how many more centres and sub-centres are required to be set up in Maharashtra as per norms, indicating the increase in population during the decade 1981—90 as per 1991-Census; and

(c) whether Government have also demanded an increase in the cost of running the PTs and SCs in view of the increase in the costs? If so, what is Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) As per norms the targets for Maharashtra for 8th Five Year Plan are 800 Sub-Centres and 100 Primary Health Centres.

(c) Yes, Sir, but assistance for Primary Health Centres is provided under the Minimum Needs Programme. The Central Government provides financial assistance for Sub-Centres. Due to financial constraints, it has not been possible to accede to this demand.

Complaints against authorised Chemists of CGHS

65. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of complaints received against CGHS authorised chemists in Delhi during the last six months;

(b) whether Government have received any complaint against M/s. Rajdhani Medical Store, R. K. Puram from the Members of Parliament/CMOs/CGHS beneficiaries;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) what action Government propose to take against the said medical store;

(e) whether Government also propose to cancel the licence of the medical store or deauthorise it; and

(f) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Seventy.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir.

The complaints allege misbehaviour, harassement non-supply of indented medicines, delay in supply of medicines and supply of substitute medicines.

(d) to (f) A number of warnings have been issued to Rajdhani Medical Store.